

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the abstract as follows:

A notebook (1) includes a base (2) having a front side and a rear side, as well as first retaining device means (10) disposed at a first distance (8) from a first peripheral edge (4) for securing a writing medium (18) of a first size to the front side of the base (2). At a second distance (20) from the first peripheral edge (4) of the base (2), second retaining device is means ~~(22, 30, 32)~~ are provided, which is ~~are~~ used to fasten a second individual writing medium (26), in the form of a sheet, having a different size than the first writing medium (18), ~~the first retaining means including~~ The first retaining device includes a first strip (10) of thin material which, within the span of the first distance (8), extends from a first side edge (12) to a second side edge (14), substantially in parallel to the first peripheral edge (4) of the base (2) in such a way that the corresponding edge (16) of the first writing medium (18) is slideable underneath the first strip (10), in order to secure the same to the base (2).